

Mental Health Act 1959

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PART IX

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Offences

125 Forgery, false statements, etc.

- (1) Any person who, with intent to deceive, forges any of the following documents, that is to say,—
 - (a) any application under Part IV of this Act;
 - (b) any medical recommendation or report under this Act; or
 - (c) any other document required or authorised to be made for any of the purposes of this Act,

or who uses, allows another person to use or makes or has in his possession any such document which he knows to have been forged or any document so closely resembling any such document as to be calculated to deceive, shall be guilty of an offence.

- (2) Any person who wilfully makes a false entry or statement in any application, recommendation, report, record or other document required or authorised to be made for any of the purposes of this Act or, with intent to deceive, makes use of any such entry or statement which he knows to be false, shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) Any person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to both", or
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine, or to both.
- (4) In this section " forge " has the same meaning as in the Forgery Act, 1913.